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# Johnson Seed Potato Company . . . RICHMOND, MAINE

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"QUALITY"

**OUR MOTTO** 

Reservoir Farmhouse, Richmond, Me.





#### INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS

UR farms are located in the center of the potato-growing section of Maine. Shipping point is at Richmond, Me., where we have excellent facilities for shipping via Maine Central Railroad and Eastern Steamship Co.

Our crops are thoroughly sprayed with Bug Death, keeping them green and growing and free from bugs, blight and rust germs until full maturity, allowing the seed boll to mature. No Paris green or arsenic used on our crops.

We will be pleased to quote prices on any quantity.

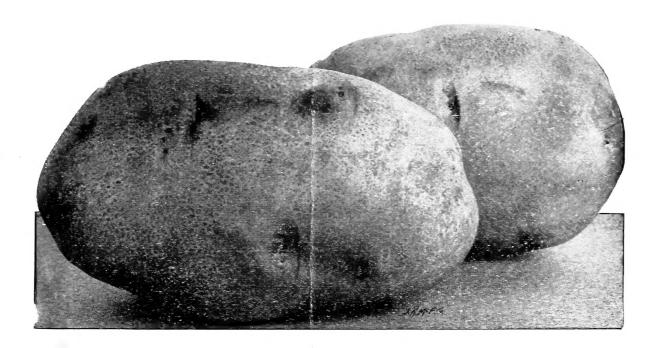
The office of our President and Treasurer is at Leominster, Mass., where all communications should be addressed.

Very truly yours,

JOHNSON SEED POTATO COMPANY,

Leominster, Mass.



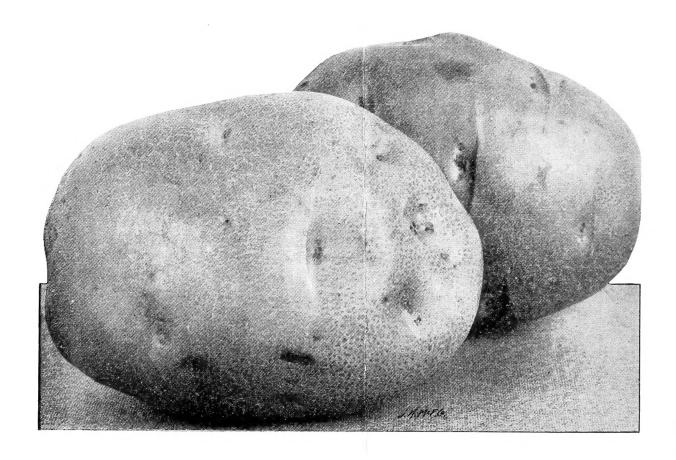


#### EARLY WHITE ALBINO

THIS wonderful new early potato is a good cropper. The skin and flesh are extremely white, of exceptionally good cooking quality and very prolific, fully as early as the old Early Rose in maturing, and particularly valuable for the early market by reason of its fine shape and early maturity. The vines grow erect and it is one of the best early varieties to withstand blight and disease. Plant this potato early in good soil and give it good cultivation and pleasing results are sure at harvest time. One grand thing in favor of this early potato is its great keeping quality. Prices quoted on application.





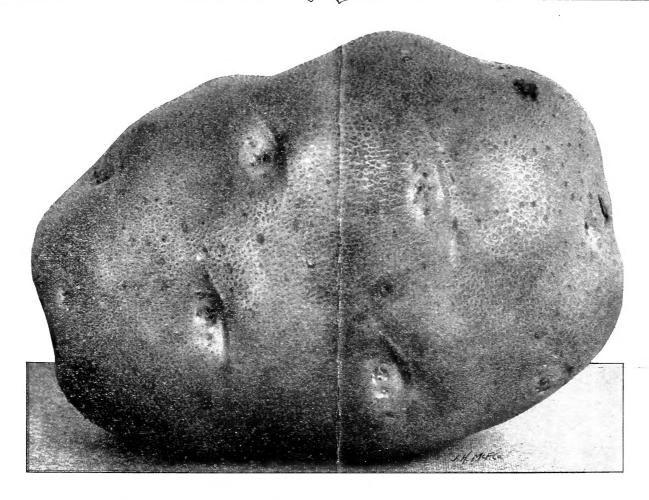


#### SNOW (White). Sometimes called Poor Man's Friend

N account of the large yields that have been reported of this potato it is rightly entitled to be called the "Poor Man's Friend." It is of handsome shape and most desirable for the best trade. It is a vigorous grower, ripens uniformly, a little earlier than Green Mountain, is a good keeper and fast becoming one of the most popular medium late varieties. The vines are always very heavy, the seed being especially vigorous and tubers always good size where soil is well tilled. Our customers will find the Snow a very reliable potato. We can furnish nice stock while the supply lasts. Prices quoted on application.





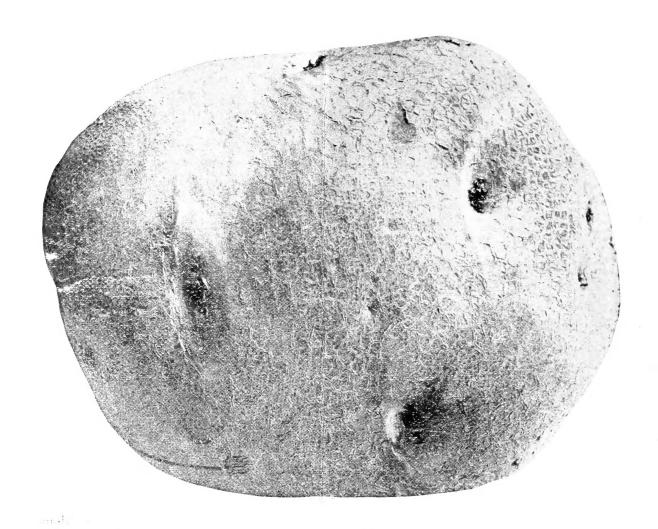


#### GREEN MOUNTAIN, JR. New White Seedling

RIGINATED by W. E. Johnson in 1905. An inbred Green Mountain; seed boll grown on Green Mountain and pollenized with Green Mountain. It is practically thorough-bred or pure bred. It has all the parents' good qualities and in general appearance is the same, except it is a trifle whiter in color and the skin more netted. It grows round to oblong, somewhat flattened; eyes shallow. The sprouts in spring are white and stubby and do not grow very long. Soon after the stalks appear above the surface they branch very much, the broad, dark green leaves lying close to and completely covering the ground, which will kill weeds and grass and have a tendency to hold moisture. It will make a vigorous, rapid growth, set a large number in the hill and mature to the best marketable size a few days earlier than its parents. Blossom is white, with yellow center stalks Cooking quality excellent. The past season on our trial grounds it gave a yield at the rate of 640 bushels per acre. Prices on application.







#### NORCROSS. Pure White

RIGINATED in 1895. Seed boll grown on the old Early Rose pollenized with Beauty of Hebron. Singular as it may seem, this potato is one of the late maturing varieties, somewhat blocky in shape, smooth surface, very excellent table quality, cooking dry and mealy. Grows a thrifty, upright top, with large leaves, and is above the average of the white kinds to withstand blight. It has a wonderful reputation in New England and New York State for its superior quality and large yield. Ask for special prices.





HE VINES OF NEW SEEDLINGS are so young and tender that they are especially attractive for bugs and flea beetles as well as blight. To protect against these evils we use Bug Death dry, applying with Dickey Bug Death Duster just at night or early in the morning, when vines are moist with dew and air is quite still, to prevent wasting the fine powder.

Directions for Spraying One Acre Medium Size Potato Vines . . , The ordinary sprayer tank holds about 60 gallons. Fill a pail or bucket holding about 12 quarts half full of water. Stir 15 to 25 pounds Bug Death into this water; the larger amount will pay

best. Fill the sprayer tank nearly full with clear water, not too cold, and pour the Bug Death from the bucket into the tank and start the machine at once, being sure that the agitator is working properly.

If Desired, Bordeaux Mixture may be added as below . . .

Dissolve six pounds copper sulphate (blue vitriol) in six gallons of water. Slake six pounds of lump lime, slowly adding water as it slakes, being careful not to burn the lime. Hydrated lime may be used. When thoroughly slaked, strain through about a No. 50 mesh

strainer to remove any lumps. When ready to spray, fill the tank two-thirds full of clear water and add the six gallons of blue vitriol water. Next put in 15 to 25 pounds Bug Death. First mix the Bug Death in a bucket of water, same as above. Fill the tank almost full of clear water and lastly put in the lime water. Stir well with a stick and start the machine at once, being sure that the agitator is working properly. Bug Death is very adhesive and holds the mixture on the vines throughout the season.

Materials for Spraying We have in stock spraying material, Bug Death, blue vitriol, lime, etc., and our prices are right. We are New England agents for O. K. Champion Potato Machinery and carry a full line of same; also repairs, at our Richmond, Me., warehouse. Special catalogue on request. Address all communications to

JOHNSON SEED POTATO COMPANY,

Leominster, Mass.

# NEW SEEDLINGS GROWN ON NEW LAND

Absolutely Free from Paris Green or Arsenic

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MR. W. E. JOHNSON, the famous originator, has brought out a number of new seedlings during the past decade which have met with great favor. We invite your attention to the new potato Green Mountain, Jr., exhibited for the first time in this booklet.

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